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On July 15th, at Essen-Ruhr, ROBERT WEBER of Shanghai and M. Gladbach to IMA, daughter of Prof. E. MIDDELL, Essen-Ruhr.

On July 16th, 1912, at Foochow, the Rev. ALFRED SILLS, C.M.G., Kienning, Fukien, to SUSAN MACLAMSON, youngest daughter of ANTHONY T. and Mrs. JACKSON, Belfast, Ireland.

DEATH.

On July 15th, at Shanghai, STEPHEN PORTER, Maritime Customs, aged 32 years.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, JULY 20TH, 1912.

The approaching completion of the Panama Canal is receiving the attention of publicists, and one of the latest to attempt to raise the veil and to give us a peep into the future is Mr. FRANK FOX, a young Australian writer, whose book entitled "Problems of the Pacific" is published by Messrs. WILLIAMS & NORRAGE. This is not Mr. Fox's first essay in the domain of literature. He is the author of "Ramparts of Empire," and for a time he contributed articles on Colonial and Imperial subjects in the London Press. He writes with great force and clearness, and compels attention by his originality of phrase. He has the outspokenness of the Colonial who has lived in open spaces, and thus escaped the enervating effects of the cramping environment which too often influences London suburban book-makers when they attempt to deal with questions of Imperial interest. Mr. Fox compels attention, as we have already said, and we cannot forget his intrusion into a debate at the Imperial Press Conference in 1909, when he refused to allow himself to be called down by the accredited spokesmen of the Australian Press. When the Chairman for the day asked for the name of the youthful-looking debater, his breezy reply was: "FRANK FOX, FRANK FOX of Sydney," and the Conference had to listen to his racy speech

which was infinitely more to the point than many of the speeches of the pundits sent over to represent Australia officially. The clear cut phrase of that day and the sound commonsense of the speaker are to be found in "Problems of the Pacific." Mr. Fox has studied his subject closely, yet he does not overlay his arguments with laboured facts. He seizes upon salient features, discusses the most reasonable probabilities, advances the most cogent arguments in favour of what he conceives the best solution of a given problem. Mr. Fox puts in a nutshell his conception of the Pacific. Starting off with the proposition that the Pacific is the ocean of the future, he proceeds to say: "On the bosom of the Pacific will be decided, in peace or in war, the next great struggle of civilisation which will give as its prize the Supremacy of the World. Shall it go to the White Race or the Yellow Race? If to the White Race, will it be under the British Flag, or the Flag of the United States, or of some other nation? What is the problem of the Pacific?" Mr. Fox is not the first one to assert the new importance of the Pacific, nor the first to consider the part our Colony of Hongkong is likely to play in the higher politics of the future. Seventeen years ago, our local historian, Dr. ERTEL, wrote: "The fulcrum of the World's balance of power has shifted from the West to the East, from the Mediterranean to the Pacific. . . . What the Mediterranean and Atlantic were while civilisation moved from East to West, the Pacific is bound to become now since the tide of progress runs from West to East. . . . It requires no prophet's gift to see that the politics of the near future centre in the East and that the problems of the Far East will be solved on the Pacific main. Contests will be sure to arise, and in these contests Hongkong will be one of the stations most important for the general strength of the British Empire. Here, even more than in its bearing upon the Asiatic problem, lies the real importance of Hongkong, such is the position of this Colony in relation to the destinies of the Far East. Hongkong will yet have a prominent place in the future history of the British Empire." Dr. ERTEL was more truly a prophet than he claimed to be, and the truth of his words has occurred more than once to us during the past decade. Mr. Fox has probably never read or heard of Dr. ERTEL's History of Hongkong, but, in effect, his "Problems of the Pacific" is nothing more or less than an elaboration of the idea contained in the preface of Dr. ERTEL's book. Of course, on broader and more Imperialistic lines, for Dr. ERTEL was more exclusively dealing with the future of the Colony in which he had lived and worked for so many years. Mr. Fox considers, one after another, the various countries having commercial and political interests in the Pacific. One by one, he eliminates those which he considers to have no serious pretensions there. This is a dangerous method, but it serves his purpose. For instance, he excludes France and Germany, and, in fact, all the European Powers but Russia and Great Britain—Russia because of her Asiatic possessions, Great Britain because of her Indian Empire and the great self-governing Colonies of Canada and Australia. The Crown Colonies of the Straits Settlements and Hongkong are frequently brought into his limelight because of their strategical importance in any offensive or defensive plan of campaign, and we put them out of further consideration with the passing remark that we notice Mr. Fox gives pride of place to Singapore as a strategic base. By his process of elimination, he reduces the number of Powers interested in the future of the Pacific to five—Russia, China, Japan, the United States and Great Britain. For reasons that must be obvious, he speedily rubs out Russia. Her naval weakness, he considers, cannot be remedied in time to give her an effective voice before other Powers have established an overwhelming predominance. China, at present a negligible quantity, may conceivably become the greatest single force in the Pacific; almost certainly it may be reckoned on to take the place of Japan as the chief Asiatic factor. The result of his examination of Japanese pretensions is that Japan must be led by her destiny to attempt to gain supremacy of the Pacific, but is doomed to failure. This leaves Great Britain and the United States as the two chief protagonists, and he states, what most of our readers will readily accept as a fair assumption, that an alliance of these Powers would settle in the best way the problem of the Pacific. Together, they would prevent the predominance of the Yellow Races, and, after a close examination of the whole question from political, industrial, commercial and racial points of view, he contends that the White Races, wherever established in their own territory, such as in Australia, New Zealand, Canada and the United States,

must resist the intrusion as settlers of men of the Yellow Races, if for no other reason than self-defence, to prevent subversion by mere procreations, for the more highly civilised races have ceased to fill the cradles" and cannot compete in this respect with the Chinese and Japanese.

We do not propose to discuss in detail the various arguments adduced by Mr. Fox. Our readers must go to his book, which they will find intensely interesting and provocative of thought. But we wish to single out for passing comment the conclusion he arrives at that there must be inevitably a contest between Great Britain and her Dominions beyond the seas on the one hand, and the United States on the other. He warns the British people against assuming that community of language must lead to community of political ambition. He professes to see in America's acquisition of the Philippines and the Hawaiian group, the establishment, more or less, with perhaps an ulterior object, of her predominance in Cuba, and her efforts to lease the Galapagos Islands from Ecuador, a well-thought-out policy by past and present statesmen of the United States to preserve the free passage of American naval vessels through the Panama Canal and the establishment of American predominance in the Pacific. We do not think this is correct. But we are willing to accept Mr. Fox's conjecture that the fact that the United States are so well served with strategic outposts is all in their favour, and that if Great Britain were free from European entanglements it would be a moot point which of the Powers could obtain the mastery of the Pacific. A struggle between the Powers for this predominance in the face of an Asiatic Power waiting to take advantage of their weakness would be a lamentable calamity. We are more optimistic than Mr. Fox that both Powers can exist side by side without being forced to resort to warfare. If there is to be a struggle at all, it is more likely to arise between the Yellow Race and the White Race, for the Chinese and Japanese already claim under the restrictions imposed by the United States and in British dominions and are likely to resent this policy of exclusion and to retaliate as soon as they believe themselves strong enough. If they do, then there is at once a serious menace to the peace of the Pacific, and it will become a serious problem for the statesmen of the White Races how to withstand the inevitable onslaught of the hordes of Eastern Asia. Long ago, we welcomed the presence of the United States in the Philippines as bringing a steady factor into the future politics of the Pacific. We still hold to the opinion that the American pretensions in the Pacific are more likely to be favourable to British territory on the Pacific littoral. The Panama Canal will undoubtedly add to the mobility and effectiveness of the United States Navy, and will give that Power the ability to enforce her views on nations of the Pacific littoral; and we are sanguine enough to hope, in spite of Mr. Fox's views, that the Anglo-Celtic races must arrive at a condominium which will enable them to check Asiatic aggression and conquest and preserve peace within the Pacific basin. There is going to be turmoil, and Hongkong will be within the danger zone; but we have a calm confidence in the thought that the historian who elects to continue Dr. ERTEL's history of our Colony will be able to record with telling phrase how the Union Jack was kept flying "in face of fearful odds" and to the honour and glory of our race.

The typhoon signals were hoisted last evening indicating a typhoon beyond the 300 mile radius. It was S.E. of the colony.

Bishop Oldham, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in Malaya, is not returning to the Mission field, having been promoted Missionary Secretary in America.

A Chinese, for gathering roots and herbs from a Government plantation near Aberdeen, was at the Magistracy yesterday fined \$5. He said he wanted them to make medicine.

The Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd., have declared a dividend of 15s. per share for the half-year ended 20th June, 1912, which will be payable on Friday, the 26th July, 1912, at exchange 2/8 5/8.

Mr. Bliss Knapp, who is to lecture on Christian Science at the City Hall on Tuesday, reached the Colony by the P. & O. steamer Nile yesterday. From here Mr. Knapp goes at the end of next week to Manila, en route to Australia.

A European lady, resident in Kowloon, had her bedroom, which is on the ground floor and easy of access, entered by a burglar on Thursday night. He took away a jewel box containing over 20 articles of jewellery, the value being \$1,000.

Mr. G. A. Woodcock at the Magistracy yesterday prosecuted a ricksha coolie for refusing to accept hire. The defendant pleaded guilty and said that he was young and tired; he had been running all day. Mr. Woodcock said the defendant immediately took another fare. A fine of two dollars was imposed.

The *Dunottar Castle* will leave England for a cruise to the Far East about the middle of October, and will be away until March 1st. The cruise embraces China, Japan, and India. Lord Lyveden, who went on the cruise in connection with the Durbar as director-in-charge, will go in a similar capacity on this occasion.

Very seldom is a Chinese seen at the Magistracy on a charge of being drunk. One man who appeared before Mr. Melbourne on this charge yesterday was said to have been running about Des Vœux Road in the early hours of yesterday morning with no clothing and was arrested by a Chinese constable. A fine of three dollars was imposed.

At the Supreme Court yesterday when a certain case was called before Mr. Justice Conopert Mr. Jackson said he appeared for the defendant, whereupon Mr. Leo d'Almada declared that he also appeared for the defendant. Mr. Jackson said there seemed to be a slight difference as to whom they represented. His Lordship—Well, I will give you a week to think over it.

Philip B. Dankey, a former Manila and Shanghai newspaperman, but of recent years residing in Honolulu, has fallen heir to an immense fortune. An uncle, Frank S. Alling, a Tacoma millionaire, died recently, leaving millions in money and property, but leaving no will. Mr. Dankey, being the sole surviving heir, has petitioned the supreme court of the state of Washington for the administration of the estate.

Sir Everard Fraser, British Consul-General at Shanghai, presented the Royal Humane Society's medal to Mr. D. Palmer, second officer of the China Merchant's s.s. *Hsinchi* for gallantry displayed on the occasion of the wreck of the *Mefoo*. Palmer, it will be remembered, saved the life of his chief officer when the boat was wrecked. The officer fell into the sea, and would have been drowned, but for the timely assistance of Palmer, who, without discarding his clothes, lived in after him and brought him to safety.

Three Indians, one of whom was a soldier and one a Naval Yard policeman, were brought before Mr. Irving at the Magistracy yesterday charged with attempting to murder another Indian at Kowloon. It was alleged that the three men set upon the complainant and beat him with bamboo, afterwards stealing his watch, \$15 in money and his turban. His Worship said he was not satisfied with the evidence, and the charge of attempted murder was dismissed. He allowed the complainant to prefer a charge of common assault. The case was then remanded.

THE MORPHINE CASE.

At the Magistracy yesterday, Mr. Melbourne gave his decision in the case in which a Chinese was arrested on a charge of having been in unlawful possession of 15 pounds of morphine. Mr. Lewis, who had appeared for the defendant, had contended that the morphine was in the custody of the accused, but it was not in his possession. His Worship said he had read the authorities quoted by Mr. Lewis, but in view of the terms of the Ordinance he adhered to his previous decision. Half of the fine he intimated would go to the informer.

THE BANDMANN OPERA COMPANY.

The Bandmann Opera Company after a successful season in the North made a welcome return to Hongkong yesterday and opened a short season in the Theatre Royal with "The Merry Widow."

Though the weather was not conducive to the enjoyment of indoor entertainments, there was a good attendance, and the company made the most of their

special message to Congress on the subject.

The debate hitherto has been regarded as indicating a probability of acquiescence in the British contention.

A message from Melbourne states that the Commonwealth representatives have passed unanimously a resolution supporting the British protest.

SUFFRAGETTE ATTACKS HOME SECRETARY.

Mr. Chamberlain, after laying the foundation stone of a training college at Caelelon was seized from behind by a suffragette and violently shaken. His assailant was arrested.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN.

Mr. J. Chamberlain has written a letter to Hon. Mr. Wyndham, M.P., stating that he would be glad if the Birth-day Fund helps Tariff Reform, the most important movement in our time.

THE FINANCE BILL.

The House of Commons passed the

second reading of the Finance Bill by 221 votes to 221.

TELEGRAMS.

[DAILY PRESS EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]

THE CONSPIRACY TRIAL AT SEOUL.

SENSATIONAL TURN.

TOKYO, July 19th.

A sensational turn has been given to the trial of 123 Koreans at Seoul on charges of conspiracy. The trial has been suspended on the protest of counsel in consequence of the judge refusing to call evidence for the defence.

PRINCE KATSURA.

TOKYO, July 19th.

Elaborate military precautions are being taken for the protection of Prince Katsura while travelling on the Siberian Railway.

RUSSO-JAPANESE UNDERSTANDING.

TOKYO, July 19th.

There is widespread belief that a Russo-Japanese Alliance is pending.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

ENTENTE ESTABLISHED.

LONDON, July 19.

Reuter's correspondent at Tokyo states that the report of a contemplated alliance between Russia and Japan is incorrect. There have been no negotiations for such a purpose and none are projected, while Prince Katsura's tour is not connected with any specific development.

Important Notes, however, have been exchanged supplementing the Agreements of 1907 and 1910 with the object of defining respective spheres of interest, Russia in Outer Mongolia and Northern Manchuria, and Japan in Inner Mongolia and Southern Manchuria, Inner Mongolia meaning the portion of Manchuria formerly so-called.

The negotiations have resulted in the clearest understanding. The entente is of the greatest importance for the preservation of peace in the Far East, second only in importance to the Anglo-Japanese Alliance.

BRITISH NAVAL ESTIMATES.

LONDON, July 19th.

The supplementary naval estimates are published. They will be debated in the House of Commons on the 22nd instant. The total is £980,000, of which £906,000 is for construction, £315,000 for machinery, £54,000 for guns, £97,000 for ammunition, £20,000 for accommodation for airships, and the rest for re-victualling, etc., and to provide 1,500 men. There is no explanatory statement appended, and nothing to indicate the nature of the additional construction.

PANAMA CANAL DUES.

BRITISH PROTEST FORMALLY PRESENTED.

LONDON, July 19th.

Reuter's correspondent at Washington telegraphs that the British Charge d'affaires has now presented a formal note against the Panama Canal Bill. President Taft is expected to send a special message to Congress on the subject.

The debate hitherto has been regarded as indicating a probability of acquiescence in the British contention.

A message from Melbourne states that the Commonwealth representatives have passed unanimously a resolution supporting the British protest.

SUFFRAGETTE ATTACKS HOME SECRETARY.

LONDON, July 19th.

Mr. McKenna, after laying the foundation stone of a training college at Caelelon was seized from behind by a suffragette and violently shaken. His assailant was arrested.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN.

LONDON, July 19th.

Mr. J. Chamberlain has written a letter to Hon. Mr. Wyndham, M.P., stating that he would be glad if the Birth-day Fund helps Tariff Reform, the most important movement in our time.

THE FINANCE BILL.

LONDON, July 19th.

The House of Commons passed the second reading of the Finance Bill by 221 votes to 221.

TELEGRAMS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TURKEY AND ITALY.

CANNONADING AT THE DARDANELLES.

LONDON, July 19th.

A message from the Dardanel

SUPREME COURT.

Friday, July 10th.

IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE HON. MR. W. REES DAVIES, K.C.)

THE POKFULUM MURDER.

The trial was continued of the three Chinese charged with the murder of a compatriot in a house in Pokfulum Road. The case for the Crown was completed, and the defence was opened. The defence was that the first prisoner met the others on the occasion in question and though he knew the errand on which they had set out he accompanied them, but only for a little way and then he left them. The defence of the second prisoner was that he went to the house to collect money from the deceased's brother which the latter had borrowed from him while they were together with the revolutionary army in the North. The third man declared that he was never near the place. The hearing was again adjourned.

BEFORE MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ (PUSINE JUDGE).

HIGHWAY ROBBERY.

Chu Kwai, charged with highway robbery near Hungshon on the 13th June, pleaded not guilty, and the following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. Harold Seth (foreman), C. C. Stark, H. W. Page, T. Shand, J. R. Lee, A. E. Paine, and A. W. Smith.

Mr. Potter, instructed by Mr. J. H. Kemp, Crown Solicitor, appeared for the Crown, prisoner being undefended.

It appeared that the prisoner with others had decoyed a Chinese woman from her house to come and see a sick child. They attacked her and robbed her of jewellery to the value of \$60.

The jury found the prisoner guilty, and he was sentenced to five years' imprisonment.

ARMED ROBBERY.

Ho Wing and Chan Yau pleaded guilty to having committed an armed robbery at 108, Des Vaux Road West on the 5th instant and robbed a woman of clothing and money to the value of \$600.

Mr. Potter stated that the two men called at the house and finding that the woman's husband was not at home they bound and gagged her. However, an Indian watchman heard the disturbance, and ran to the house, meeting the two men coming downstairs. Though they were armed with knives he tackled them single-handed and captured them and recovered the property.

His Lordship—Is he a private watchman?

Mr. Potter—Yes.
His Lordship—Call the watchman, Khata Singh.

When the watchman came forward, his Lordship said to the interpreter—Tell him that the learned counsel for the Crown has informed the Court how courageously he behaved in arresting these men single-handed, and I wish to commend him for his conduct.

His Lordship—Has he been a soldier?

Interpreter—He has been a warden in gaol.

His Lordship—Well, he behaved very well.

One prisoner, who had been banished from the Colony twice, was sentenced to seven years' imprisonment with hard labour, and the second to five years' hard labour.

THE CHARGE AGAINST AN AMERICAN.

WARRINER RE-ARRESTED.

The American who gave his name as Charles Frederick White Warriner and who was acquitted by Mr. Melbourne at the Magistracy on Wednesday on the charge of larceny as bailees of \$318, the money of Esther Rubinstein, the wife of a hairdresser at Simla, was arrested yesterday at the instance of the same complainant, who charged him with obtaining twenty dollars gold.

Warriner was brought before Mr. Melbourne at the Magistracy in the afternoon.

Mr. F. B. L. Bowley appeared to prosecute, and Mr. Russ appeared for the defence.

Mr. Bowley in his opening statement said he would ask his Worship to review his decision in the last case, and said that he was prepared to prove that the statement made on oath by the defendant at the last hearing was a tissue of lies. The present charge was that the defendant on the 5th inst. obtained twenty dollars gold from the complainant under false pretences. He said that he had goods at Kowloon and he needed the money to transfer them to Hongkong.

Mr. Russ contended that it was unconstitutional to retry an acquitted man.

His Worship said he could see no harm in incidentally mentioning that

HOME AND CHINA AFFAIRS.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, June 26th.

Y.M.C.A. AND THE FAR EAST.

The Y.M.C.A. is worried about the morals of the young men east of Suez. They have been holding a British Conference in Manchester and Major Frank Young, R.A., presented a report on the problem of how to deal with the young men of the Orient. The report stated that many foreigners, men of European and American birth, in business or seeking a livelihood in an Eastern land, become stranded in the Orient. They are subjected to the ever-increasing temptations of drink, gambling and impurity. On arrival in the East those who should be able to act as advisers to the young stranger only too often treat moral conduct from the very lightest point of view, representing to the newcomer the dangerous theory that the morality of the East and West must of necessity vary, leading the young man to treat his new found liberty as licence. Young men in the East, the report proceeded, usually have means and leisure at their disposal. The young men of the better classes are encouraged by the existing social system on the commonest details of life, tend to get into debt. The tropical conditions prevailing in most large centres are conducive to drink and favour its attendant vices, while contact with a non-Christian people, differing in race, colour, standard of ethics and outlook on the commonest details of life, tend to looseness of morality. According to the Manchester papers Mr. J. L. M'Pherson of Hongkong went still more into detail. He said that an earnest Christian doctor out there once advised young men that it would be necessary for them to indulge in strong drink to a certain extent, whilst one of the members of their association was told by a doctor in Hongkong that he would have to live an immoral life.

"I am glad to say," he continued, "that the young man said he would leave his business and come home. He came home and is now in Manchester." Every temptation to which a man was subjected in England he was subjected to out there more fiercely, and they should do all they possibly could to warn young men what life was like in the Far East. Other speakers referred to the conditions prevailing in India, Egypt and Africa, one delegate declaring that Englishmen dropped the Ten Commandments overboard when they left Port Said—many of them even to the spot they got to Port Said.

SIR FREDERICK LUGARD.

Sir Frederick Lugard was a prominent figure at the thirteenth annual dinner of the Corona Club, and Mr. Harcourt, the Colonial Secretary, made him a specially complimentary reference in the course of his speech. No West African official, he said, would be there without turning a friendly and perhaps anxious eye upon the figure of Sir Frederick Lugard. It had been his good fortune to persuade and to assist Sir Frederick to return to his early love. He would find it grown out of all recollection, but he did not think the obesity of success would check the ardour of his renewed embrace. Sir Frederick was going out to amalgamate the two Nigerias. That was not an easy task unless all were prepared to work for the common good. Incidentally the Colonial Secretary mentioned that the Gold Coast now produces more cocoa than any other country in the world, while the general revenue was mounting very rapidly.

THE IMPERIAL SOCIETY OF KNIGHTS BACHELORS.

The Society of Knights Bachelor, or as it is now called by royal permission, "The Imperial Society of Knights," held their second annual dinner the other night at the Savoy Hotel, and there were sundry Far Eastern knights present. This curious society has for its president—I beg his pardon, Knight President—Sir Henry Pellatt, but as he was away in Canada, the vice-president, Sir Bouverton Redwood, welcomed a gathering of men most of whom had done something to render them personally worthy of the handle to their names. Some present came by their titles by inheritance, but most had to win them by hand or brain. There were mayors, business magnates, politicians, lawyers, men of science, administrators, men of all professions and general merit. Sir Charles Dugdron was there, Sir Thomas Dewar, Sir John Stanley, Sir Walter Wragg, Sir C. Smith and a host of others known in many lands. Sir William Bull, registrar of the Society of Knights, was presented with an equestrian statuette of a knight in armour, in recognition of his services to the organisation, and a similar one will be sent to Sir Henry Pellatt, who gave \$7,000 to enable the Society to find its present appropriate home in Clifford's Inn. It was incidentally mentioned that

THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

[FROM NORTHERN PAPERS.]

CHEFOO QUEUE CUTTING.

CHEFOO, July 12th. The queue-cutting campaign, which started as a joke, is assuming a serious aspect as the soldiers are cutting queues off indiscriminately, even the Chinese employed by the German Consulate not being spared.

Telegrams have been forwarded to the Legations and the Government stating that immediate action is necessary to avert a collision between the soldiers and the populace.

TUNGMEGHUI OBSTRUCTION.

PEKING, July 13th. The members of the Cabinet, who belong to the Tungmenghui, are again voicing their determination to resign. A member of the Party states that four more members will replace those resigning from the Cabinet and thus the Party will secure eight experienced members of the Cabinet ready, at a later date, to form a Tungmenghui Cabinet.

MINISTERIAL APPOINTMENTS.

It is semi-officially stated, that the resignations of Hsiung Hsi-ling, Sung Chink-jen, Tsai Yuen-pei, Wang Chung-hui and Wang Chao-tung have been accepted. It is reported that Chao-ping-tchun will conduct the Ministry of Finance temporarily while Hsiung Hsi-ling, Chow Tsz-chi, Chen Chia-tao and Chang-chien, if the latter accept, will form a committee to deal with foreign loans.

Shen Ping-chin will become Minister of Commerce and Industry, Huy-in Minister of Agriculture and Forestry and Sun Yu-yun or Yen-shui Minister of Education.

It is understood that to-morrow, the National Council will be asked to approve the appointment of Hu Wei-te as Minister of Communications.

THE LOAN COMMITTEE.

It is officially announced that the Loan Committee will consist of the Premier, Lu Cheng-hsien; Hsiung Hsi-ling, and Chow Tsz-chi, who, later, will become Minister of Finance.

DEATH OF AN UNDER-SECRETARY.

The death is announced of Wu Chen, Under Secretary of State for the Interior.

MINES IN HUPEH.

In official circles it is not believed that the Hupeh Provincial Assembly have passed a resolution that they will resume possession of the Han-yang-Tsaying Mine, as such action would be of considerable seriousness and the matter is too great for the Assembly to settle off-hand.

Moreover, the Japanese, who are interested to the extent of Y. 10,000,000, possess export concessions covering a period of thirty years, and therefore such a resumption of ownership would be a matter of international interest, as the supply of iron from the properties under notice is most important to Japan.

PROVINCIAL DISTURBANCE.

Reports from Honan state that minor disturbances continue in several districts. Disturbances are reported in Kiangsi.

FLOODS IN FUKIEN.

The Tutah of Fukien reports that floods have caused considerable losses of lives and property. The Government have promised assistance.

DEATH OF A HUNAN OFFICIAL.

CHONGSHA, July 13th. The death is announced of the provincial Tung-tu, Hung Yung-chi, of

Huayang.

The funeral will take place at Yolu-shan, across the river.

THE WUHU CUSTOMS.

WUHU, July 13th. The Customs site, which has been a matter for dispute for many years, has been practically settled.

HONAN LOOTERS.

PEKING, July 14th. Reports received from Honan state that 4,000 soldiers, carrying loot, have retreated to the mountains.

DEMAND FOR COMPENSATION.

PEKING, July 15th. The Russian Minister has complained to the Wuchihuo-pu to-day that 100 Musulmans, Russian subjects, were murdered three weeks ago at Chergah, near Khotan, and he demanded compensation and the punishment of the offenders.

According to Russian reports the Chinese official at Chergah demanded that the leading inhabitants of the town should pay personal visits to his yamen. The Musulmans objected and, afterwards, congregated at the house of Said Effendi, their chief. A crowd of Chinese thereupon collected and surrounded the house. Said Effendi ordered them to disperse, but the crowd shouted their defiance. He then fired a revolver and wounded one of the Chinese in the crowd, which then attacked and set fire to the house.

Said Effendi escaped in the confusion and reached Kashgar. In view of Russia's recent Note to the effect that unless

FUNDS FROM WITHIN.

PEKING, July 16th.

The Tutahs of the Provinces have replied to Hsiung Hsi-ling, Minister of Finance, that they consider his action in refusing the terms offered by the foreign bankers is deserving of the country's gratitude and that it is necessary that the funds required should be provided domes-

tically. The opinion is gaining ground that the retirement of those members of the Cabinet who belong to the Tungmenghui and the formation of a financial committee foreshadow the resumption of negotiations with the international group of bankers.

PROVINCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS.

The Chinese Press states that the Government have received the following remittances:

Hunan, Hainan and Kirin each	300,000
Shengking and Chengtu each	500,000
Kwangtung and Chungking each	1,000,000
Nanchang, Yunan, Kweilin each	200,000
Heilungkiang	150,000
Chantun Chamber of Commerce	380,000
or upwards of	Tls. 5,000,000 in all.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

Messrs. Vernon and Smyth in their weekly share report dated July 19th state:

The local market has ruled considerably quieter during the past week, and with the exception of an advance in China Sugars rates remain at about last week's level. London "Rubbers" show a slight improvement on the week with Fine Hard Para Rubber quoted at \$10 per lb. sellers. At the fortnightly auction of Plantation Rubber held in London on the 17th instant, 510 tons of smoked and unsmoked sheet were sold at prices ranging between \$4/10 per lb. and \$5/12 per lb. the tone of the auction being firm. Discount rates are unchanged at 3 per cent. for both the Bank of England and open market. Bar Silver closed dull at \$234 per oz. ready, 28d. forward, and Sterling T.T. at \$11 13-16d. Shanghai T.T. has improved to \$71. Consols are now quoted at \$74.

BANKS.—Hongkong and Shanghai are again quoted privately from London at \$23 10s. 0d., the last rate per "Reuter" being \$81. Locally the market is more or less nominal at \$82 7s., with probable buyers at the rate and small sellers at \$83 0s.

MARINE INSURANCES.—Unions continue

neglected with sellers at \$800 and small buyers at \$782. North China have sellers in Shanghai at Tls. 135. Cantons after further small sales at \$235 have advanced to \$237, with sales, and more are wanted. Yangtsze and China Traders are unchanged and without local business.

FIRE INSURANCES.—Hongkongs have been booked at \$361 and \$365 and at the close a small lot is probably obtainable at slightly under the latter rate. Chinas continue in request at \$132, but no shares are available under an advance.

SHIPPING.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao continue in request at \$27, and Indo can be placed at \$70 after sales at \$60 and \$71. China and Manilas are quiet at \$9, and Douglaston at \$27, the latter being obtainable at quotation. Star Ferries are wanted at \$33 and \$30 for the old and new issues respectively, and Shell Transports for London account at 103 6s.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars after fur-

ther sales at \$109 have advanced without business to \$112 buyers, and a higher rate would probably be paid for a moderate quantity. Luzons are neglected at \$32 with buyers at \$30.

MINING.—Tronohs have ruled quiet with a small business passing at about 72 1/2, the closing rate from London being 72 1/2 (middle price). Heawoods have sold, and more can be placed at 4/1. Raubs have advanced to \$4 with sales, and Chinese Engineering to 35/- (middle price) ex dividend.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks after sales at \$19 are weaker with sellers at \$18. Kowloon Wharves have advanced to \$62, and close steady. New Amoy Docks are quoted at \$31, Shanghai Docks at Tls. 50, and Shanghai and Hongkow Wharves at Tls. 63.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Lands are unchanged with buyers at \$104 and sellers at \$100. Kowloon Lands continue in request at \$34 and \$36, but again no sales are reported. Hongkong Hotels have been booked at \$113 (old) and \$75 (new), and more shares are wanted. Humphreys Estates can be placed at \$7.85 but at \$8 there are sellers.

COTTON MILLS.—Ewes have advanced in the North to Tls. 96. Hongkongs can still be obtained at \$3.

MISCELLANEOUS.—China Borneos are slightly better with buyers at \$81. Green Island Cement have been booked at \$41 and \$40 10 closing with buyers at \$41. China Light have been done at \$22, Watsons at \$5, and Steam Laundry at \$19. Union Water Boats at \$9, and United Asbestos at \$5. Ices are procurable at \$21, and Peak Trams (old) at \$113.

LONDON QUOTATIONS.—The following quotations (middle price) were received from London by wire to-day:

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CHINA AND ANCIENT CEYLON.
INTERESTING ARCHAEOLOGICAL
DISCOVERY.

TRILINGUAL STONE AT GALLE.

Mr. Edward W. Perera contributes the following to the *Spoiling Zeylanica*:—
A carved stone, inscribed in Chinese, Persian, and Tamil, was discovered by Mr. H. F. Tomalin, Provincial Engineer, Southern Province, early in 1911, near the turn of Cripps road, within the town of Galle. The tablet was used as a cover stone of a culvert with the inscribed face downwards. The history of the "find" is given in a note by Mr. K. A. Joseph, Honorary Secretary, Ceylon Branch of the Royal Asiatic Society, in the Journal of the Society for 1911. With commendable care, Mr. Tomalin had the tablet safely removed. It has proved to be a unique historical find, with an interest more than purely local. Dr. H. A. Biles, Professor of Chinese at Cambridge, thus speaks of it:—

"The day of doubt in regard to the general accuracy of Chinese annals has gone by; were it otherwise, a recent (1911) discovery in Ceylon would tend to dispel suspicion on one point. A tablet has just been unearthed at Galle, bearing an inscription in Arabic (1), Chinese, and Tamil. The Arabic (1) is beyond decipherment, but enough is left of the Chinese to show that the tablet was erected in 1403 to commemorate a visit by the Chinese eunuch Cheng-Ho, who passed several times backwards and forwards over that route. In 1411 the same eunuch was sent as envoy to Japan and narrowly escaped with his life."

Several experts were consulted in regard to the decipherment of the trilingual inscription which was greatly defaced. The Tamil and Persian portions were found to be quite indistinct, but, a

COMPLETE TRANSLATION OF THE
CHINESE INSCRIPTION,

which baffled more than one scholar, was ultimately secured through the courtesy of Mr. Jordan, the British Ambassador at Peking. Mr. Backhouse of Peking furnished a translation of the Chinese, which is given in Appendix I.

Mr. Backhouse's note contains a few errors, due to his insufficient acquaintance with Ceylon history. Kandy was not founded in the fifteenth century, and the reference in the Chinese chronicles is clearly to the older capital Jayawardenapura (modern Kotto), the seat of Government from circa 1391-1565. The Sinhalese annals relate to this period are very scanty, and the true account of the Chinese missions and the events which ultimately led to the capture and deportation of the Sinhalese monarch by the Chinese can only be gathered by a careful comparison of the Chinese histories with the Sinhalese historical fragments. For this a complete translation of all the passages in the Chinese chronicles referring to Ceylon is necessary. From the references Tennyson gives in the passages quoted in Appendix IX, and Appendix X, it is clear that the Chinese historians refer to the transaction recorded in the stone.

From the above it would appear that the tablet commemorates the second visit of Cheng-Ho to Ceylon, referred to in the Chinese texts. Probably it was engraved in China by the order of the Great Ming Emperor Yung-Lo, and transported with gifts for the Sacred Tooth of Buddha then deposited at Kotto. It would seem that an attempt made by Cheng-Ho to seize for his master the most venerated relic of the Buddhist world culminated in the struggle in which the Sinhalese monarch fell a victim to Chinese strategy. But, as previously noted, nothing definite can be arrived at till the Chinese chronicles are carefully analysed in the light of Ceylon history. Perhaps the Ceylon Government, which has displayed a practical interest in the discovery by securing the tablet for the Museum, getting it photographed, and having a proper transcription made, will take steps to obtain this information.

The writer goes on to quote Buddhist works containing allusions to the Chinese visit.

TRANSLATION OF THE CHINESE INSCRIPTION.

His Majesty the Emperor of the Great Ming dynasty has despatched the eunuchs Ching-Ho, Wang Ch'ing-Lien, and others to set forth his utterance before Buddha, the World Honoured One, as follows:—

"Deeply do we reverence you, Merciful and Honour'd One, whose bright perfection is wide embracing, and whose way of virtue passes all understanding, whose law enters into all human relations, and the years of whose great Kalpa (period) are like the sand of the river in number, you whose controlling influence enables and converts, whose kindness quickens, and whose strength discerns, whose mysterious efficacy is beyond compare."

"Whereas Ceylon's mountainous isle lies in the south of the ocean, and its Buddhist temples are sanctuaries of your gospel, where your immeasurable power imbues and enlightens. Of late, we have despatched missions to announce our mandates to foreign nations, and during their journey over the ocean they have been favoured with the blessing of your beneficent protection. They escaped disaster or misfortune, and journeyed in safety to and from. In everlasting recognition of your supreme virtue, we, therefore, bestow offerings in recompence, and do now reverently present before Buddha, the Honour'd One, oblations of gold and silver, gold embroidered jewelled banners of variegated silk, incense-burners, and flower-vases, silks of many colours in lining and exterior, lamps and candles with other gifts, in order to manifest the high honour of our worship. Do you, Lord Buddha, bestow on them your regard."

A NOTE ON CHING HO.

The eunuch Ching-Ho was one of the greatest figures in the great reign of Yung-Lo. He attracted the attention of that monarch, when Prince of Yen, by his knowledge of strategy, and was his chief assistant in the long campaign he successfully carried out against his nephew, the second emperor of the Ming

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STEAM TRAWLERS HEAVILY
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The captain of a Shimoneseki trawler and the Toyo Trawl Company, of Osaka, appealed against convictions for infringement of the steam trawling regulations. The cases were heard, on appeal, in the Nagasaki Appeal Court, and judgment was delivered on July 5th. In the first case the decision was upheld, the captain having to pay a fine of 2,500 yen, and in the other the amount of the fine was reduced from 3,500 yen to 2,500 yen.—*Nagasaki Press*.

Encouraged by his success, his master sent him with a larger fleet in the year 1407 to visit more remote lands: he collected tribute in Borneo, Sumatra, Straits Settlement, visited Assam and Chittagong, and cruised down the Bay of Bengal to Ceylon, where the King of Kandy is recorded as having recognised the Emperor Yung Lo as his sovereign. A Sinhalese envoy returned with him to China and was received at court. This is the visit referred to in the inscription now translated. Apparently he followed it up by a second journey to Sumatra in 1411. The year after his return to Peking (1411) he went on a fourth mission and opened up trade with all the countries and islands in the southern archipelago. After a second stay at Kandy, where he sojourned in the well-known Buddhist temple near the lake, he went to Calicut, Socotra, Aden, entered the Straits of Bab-el-Mandeb and appears to have gone up the Red Sea as far as Suez.

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The growth of the English Language is traced by Mr. L. Pearse Smith, M.A., and a twin volume is Professor W. P. Ker's English Literature (Medieval). This volume gives a fairly full consideration of the works of Chaucer. The titles of the remaining three volumes may be taken as evidence of the catholicity of the Editors. Professor F. L. Paxson, Wisconsin University, deals with the American Civil War; Professor W. Somerville, Oxford University, with Agriculture; and Lord Hugh Cecil, M.A., M.P., with Conservatism. Lord Hugh is one of the brilliant sons of the late Lord Salisbury, a leading light in the present Conservative party, an outspoken partisan without being a slavish follower of the programme of the party leaders; and one of the most independent thinkers of the day on contemporary politics. Anyone who wishes to obtain a first-class working knowledge of the tenets of the chief political parties in England at the present time will find this volume and Mr. Hobhouse's on Liberalism very helpful indeed. The latter may appear to be more abstract than Lord Hugh's exposition of Conservatism, but we have found it refreshingly clear and have obtained from it a better idea of the principles which underlie some of the recent Liberal legislation than can be got from the speeches of the men who are leading the Liberal Party today.

This Library is proving a great success, and although it is understandable that some of the volumes must have a more restricted field than others we are not astonished to learn that some are already sold out. In themselves, the volumes are attractive. They have the repellent look of encyclopedias. They are clearly printed, they are handy in size and may be taken up at any spare moment, and they are excellently written by clever experts. We welcome the opportunity of once more recommending them to our readers.

The Spell of the Lotus. By D. H. DENNISON.

London: John Long, Ltd.

We, in the East, are in a position to appreciate this story, especially those of us who have seen Japan and know something of its witchery and fascination. In this story the hero very unheroically leaves his sweetheart in England, goes to Japan in the interests of silk, and comes under the spell of the country to such an extent that he takes a Japanese girl to wife and becomes a naturalised subject of Dai Nippon. His English sweetheart, having been forced by circumstances into an uncongenial marriage, divorces her husband, and finally visits Japan in the hope of seeing the lover of her youth, of whom she is as fond as ever. The author makes his reader feel the "spell of the lotus!" The heroine's visit to Japan awakens old desires in her lover, the more so that his Japanese wife has passed from youth to old age in the short space of ten years, and an exciting struggle between the various parties to retain their hold on the hero ends in his leaving the Island Kingdom with his first love. Purists may find it hard to approve of the man's action in deserting his wife and children, but the race instinct and knowledge of the East will agree that no other solution was possible in the circumstances.

Anna Strelitz. By LOW LATHE.

London: John Long & Company.

This is one of the best novels which has reached our hands in recent years. It is powerfully written, and, unlike the modern novel, does not attempt the spicy. In the best sense of the word it is a good book. "Anna Strelitz" deals with certain aspects of Jewish life and character, showing the tendency of the modern Jews to depart from a religion which they have ceased to understand. The heroine is a Jewess, who has become converted to Christianity. She falls in love with Henri Lion, a Jewish journalist, who in seeking for the truth is found by her in a frame of mind which is decidedly ingnostic. However, fearing that her love for him makes her think less of her God, she puts him away, and he goes back into his former darkness. Circumstances shape themselves whereby he is brought into a Christian environment and he accepts Christianity as the completion of Judaism. When he returns to the girl's home in order to claim his birthright from a father who had left him in early years, he offers to address the assembled Jews on the reasons for his conversion, but the meeting is disorderly and dangerous. A stone hits him on the temple and he is taken to his father's house and to his love, only to die. The scenes in the book are most dramatic and the novel is one that will impress readers.

The Spindle. By ELIZABETH HARDEN.

London: John Long, Ltd.

This is a book with a hero and heroine, with the heroine, Clemency O'Flannigan, the bigger hero of the two. Her unselfish life and final supreme sacrifice fills the reader with admiration and sympathy, and one lays aside the book almost with a sigh. Incidentally, the story tells the habits and customs of the people of Barnstaple, a sleepy seaboard town which to the reader, nevertheless, seems wide-awake enough at times as denouement follows denouement. The author writes with a pen dipped in satire when she describes the "society" of Barnstaple, of which the Duke of Marlborough is the head. Altogether the book is distinctly readable, and may be classed as one of the best novels of the season.

The Shadow of the Guillotine. By SCOTT GILLIES.

London: John Long, Limited. As the little suggests, this is a tale of the days of the French Revolution, and naturally enough there is plenty of moving incident and excitement. The story is admirably told, and may not inaptly be compared with Baroness Orczy's famous "Scarlet Pimpernel." It is a book which ought to be popular.

Sport and the Woman. By CAMPBELL RAE BROWN.

London: John Long, Ltd. This is a decidedly modern novel. It is a picture of to-day, and though it follows the conventional style, it possesses a vigour which is quite distinctive. In this story the bold bad persons are not incorrigible, and the last page is reached with the hero and heroine happily united and the wicked characters so much refined that they are almost lovable. This "sporting" element in the book is well presented and is indeed its most attractive feature.

At the Court of H. M. R.

By L. M. STRANGE KENNY.

London: John Long, Ltd.

This story, with its medieval Italian setting, has an English hero, a man who bears himself with the traditional bravery and "straightness" of the Anglo-Saxon and scenes of Italian intrigue. He loves the daughter of a noble Italian house, who tries to free herself from what she feels is a hereditary deceitfulness and treachery, and the narrative of how they were parted and eventually brought together, interspersed with glowing pictures of contemporary Italian life, is intensely interesting.

Chicane. By OLIVER SANDYS.

London: John Long, Ltd.

It is a compliment to the authoress that she compels the reader by the powerful manner in which she tells her story to sympathise with two ladies—we could hardly call them heroines—who "live on their wits." This means, of course, that their method of earning a livelihood was very questionable, but as they are not really bad the reader cannot withhold his regard and admiration for the astuteness and cleverness and daring displayed by the ladies in carrying out their policy of Chicane. However, the younger one is claimed by a lover, who himself has had an experience, and while the reader is glad to learn that she is safe in the haven of matrimony, he or she is delighted that the master mind of the two is happily situated by an appointment in Scotland Yard. "Chicane" is certainly a book worth reading.

The Blue Talisman. By FERDUS HUME.

London: T. Werner Laurie.

Not even the reputation of the author of "The Mystery of a Hansom Cab" is sufficient to carry to success this very mediocre story. Unconvincing characters, impossible situations and stilted dialogue are too much for the ingenuity of the plot. We cannot believe that the British authorities could have been in ignorance of the double identity of Paul Merker, and while the author makes a good point in emphasising the "whiteness" of the black man and the "blackness" of the white, we find it difficult to accept either as true to life. Readers who are fond of crude thrills may find a pleasure in following the fortunes of the blue talisman, but we must confess we found the story somewhat tiresome.

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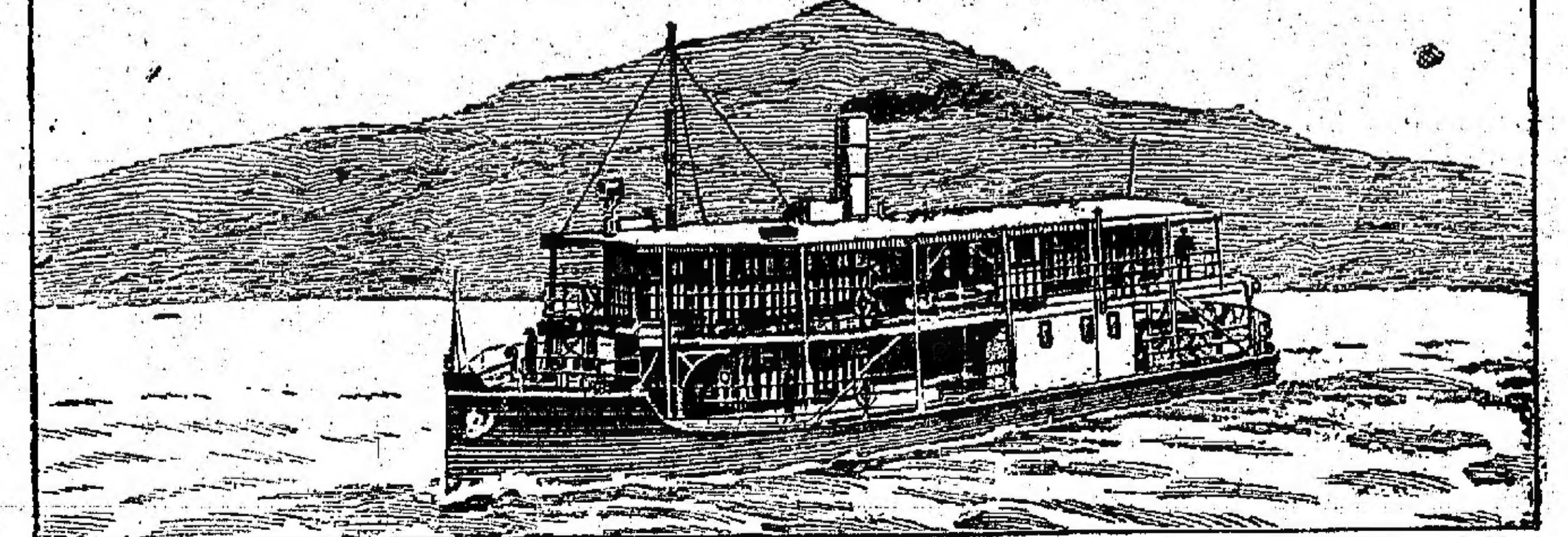
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CHAPTER III.

ON BOARD THE "SEAMEW."

All day long the white *Seamew* rode at anchor on the sapphire and untroubled waters of Zerran Cove. Boats went backwards and forwards to the shore, the little village pursued the even tenor of its life, the sun beat down with midsummer radiance and the sickle pinioned sea birds swept leisurely round the fishing boats and the graceful yacht.

Mr. John Saltus, the owner of the *Seamew*, was a short, fat, clean-shaven man of some fifty years of age, his hair was iron grey, his face, when in repose, not unlike that of the first Napoleon, though the eyes were not so keen, nor the expression so alert.

Mr. Saltus was a very wealthy man indeed, a bachelor, well-known in London society. He had a certain celebrity, partly owing to his collection of antique vases—which was unsurpassed by any other private collector in Europe—principally owing to his wonderful knowledge of eating and drinking. Mr. Saltus was a gourmet and a gourmet. His chef, Antonio Pozzi, was renowned in two hemispheres. His little dinners were feasts which would not have shamed Lucullus. The shades of Vatel, Soyer and Careme were said to haunt his kitchen.

About twelve o'clock in the morning, neatly dressed in a blue serge coat and waistcoat, irreproachable white ducks, and a yachting cap, Mr. Saltus was strolling through the village towards the villa occupied by Mrs. Morduant, and her uncle, the Rev. Hildebrand Finch.

He had come up to the house, when from the front door, their hats in their hands, and their faces suffused with pleased good humour, came two men in the uniform of prison warders. Mr. Finch, the grey bearded old clergyman, and his niece, Mrs. Morduant, stood upon the steps for a moment, talking to the men. Mr. Saltus walked up the little drive, and saluted his friends.

"My dear John," said the clergyman, "Whatever do you think has happened?—these two gentlemen have just told us that a convict has escaped from the prison at Marshmoor."

"Good gracious!" Mr. Saltus replied, looking with a surprised face at the warders. "That is a very rare occurrence, surely?"

"It is, sir," one of the men said, "and the curious thing is the convict has not left a trace. We are scouring all the country. I have just been telling his Reverence and the lady how it happened. It was at the station when a gang were being entrained for Parkhurst Prison, to where they were to be removed. . . ."

"Yes," Mrs. Morduant broke in, "and you know, John, the exciting thing is that I actually saw them—the convicts, I mean—and so did Uncle. It was when we went to see Reggie Fairfax off at the station. It seems that some confederate or other lit some gunpowder or something, and made a great smoke, under cover of which the man got away. Curiously, as we drove off from the station in the motor, we thought we heard a bang, a noise like an explosion, as we turned into the Moor Road, but I thought it was simply something to do with the soldiers in the manoeuvres."

"Then it only happened a few hours ago?" Mr. Saltus said enquiringly to the warders.

"That is all, sir," they replied.

"Well, I must say," Mr. Saltus said with a smile, "you do not lose any time. Have you any reason to expect he is anywhere round here?"

"Oh, no, sir," one of the warders replied, "that is not possible. It is twelve miles from Marshmoor Station to here, and he would have had to have passed the prison and the quarries, unless he made a detour over the Moor of nearly twenty miles. No, we have simply come to warn the coast-guards to be on the lookout and the inhabitants of the village. If the man is not recaptured at once, he very likely may try and strike this part of the coast. We have just been detailed to warn all the fishermen."

"Quite so," said Mr. Saltus, "I see. Well, I am sure everyone will be on the alert. Where are you going next?"

"To Portedwin, sir," the warden answered. "It is the next fishing village, about five miles over the Moor."

"It will be very hot walk for you," Mr. Saltus answered.

"It will, indeed, sir," they replied ruefully.

"Look here, then," said the yachtsman, "I will tell you what I will do if you like. I am going aboard my yacht again now, and I will send the motor boat ashore, and it will take you to Portedwin in half an hour by sea, and save the walk. I am not weighing anchor till this evening."

The little man's face beamed with good humour, and the warders accepted the offer with profuse thanks.

"Right O!" said Mr. Saltus, turning away. "I will see to it at once if you'll be down at the beach in five minutes, and I do not suppose that if you find a few bottles of beer off the ice in the stern of the boat that you will refuse to open them."

In ten minutes more, Mr. Saltus was aboard the motor boat; it had kicked its way from the yacht to the beach, the warders had entered it, and the long speedy boat was cutting through the waters towards the west, leaving a long trail of foam behind it.

It was about seven o'clock that evening, when long shafts of gold and crimson painted the still floor of the sea with splendour, that the anchor chain of the *Seamew* rattled on the little steam winch, the siren hooted like a brazen bull, and startled a hundred shrieking sea birds from the cliffs, and the graceful boat moved away, out into the broad, golden path of the sunset.

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knew the secret, Arthur Hughes had slept soundly. He had been given some beef tea by the young doctor aboard the yacht, and after it, a sleeping draught, so when evening in her painted robes, like a shy novice about to take the veil of night, had fallen over the sea, he at last awoke, the little cabin, which was almost entirely taken up by the bed upon which he lay, was full of faint grey light. There was a slight movement which told him that the yacht was at sea, and he heard the throbbing, and felt the faint vibration of the powerful turbine engine amidships. He lay upon his back with a sense of rest and peace, which he had not known—so it seemed to him—for many years. He was drowsy still, but with a pleasant and comfortable drowsiness. He thought neither of the past nor of the future in this moment of intense physical and mental relief. He only felt very hungry.

It was about half-past eight when the door of his cabin quietly slid aside, and Mr. Saltus entered, and turned up the electric light.

The little man sat down upon the bed, and patted Arthur affectionately upon the arm.

"All is well," he said. "As far as we know, not the slightest suspicion of your whereabouts is in the mind of the authorities. We are in constant touch with Cornwall, and everything has gone off without a single hitch. I have friends everywhere in the prison district. Cypher telegrams have been despatched to London from various posts every hour since your escape. They have been sent back to the Marconi station at Poldhu, and we are picking them up here constantly by our wireless telegraphy installation on board the yacht. You can make your mind quite easy, the first stage, the first act in the drama, is over."

Arthur caught him by the hand. "Sir," he said, "I have no words in which to thank you. Words do not come easily to me after my long solitude at Marshmoor. I shall be able to thank you by and by. I know that you and my father, my poor dear father, were old friends, and, of course, I have met you at his house, and once or twice I have had the honour of dining with you in Berkeley Square, but how many friends would have done this, exposed themselves to such enormous risks?"

"Never mind, never mind, Arthur," Mr. Saltus answered in a soothing voice as if he were speaking to a child. "When you are a little stronger and better—later to-night perhaps—there is very much that you must hear and know. I said just now that the curtain had fallen upon the first act of the drama. It must rise again. Arthur, upon other facts, and upon a drama which is as strange and terrible, which promises to be as stern and mysterious as anything the human mind can conceive. It is owing to this fact that for many months I have been perfecting the vast and secret organization which has been necessary for your release. Your friend Jim Morduant and his wife, old Mr. Finch, and various other devoted helpers, have been working ceaselessly to this end. The minutest details have been studied; large sums have been spent, but all this has been with the greatest pride and gladness, and it is all a means towards an end so vast and important that even your release, my dear boy, is only a part in it—though the most integral part of all. I am going to send someone to you now whom you have already met. The little foreign-looking gentleman who made you up as you are now, a swarthy seaman, who provided the wonderful wig and beard, which one of my friends wore at the station, and which were put upon you in the smoke, is no other than Mr. Willy himself!"

Arthur started. In common with all the rest of the world, the name of the famous perquinier and theatrical costumier of Leicester Square was familiar to him. He realised, perhaps more from that single fact than from any other, how complete were the arrangements of his friend.

"Mr. Willy," Mr. Saltus continued, "will take off this beard and stand upon your skin. When you are yourself again he will shave you, and help you to dress in clothes that are provided, which you will wear for the next two or three days, until your arrival in London."

"London?" Arthur said with eyes starting from his head.

"Yes, London," Mr. Saltus replied, "but you will again be a different person in appearance when you reach London, and commence with me the great work of your own rehabilitation, bringing to justice a person who, it is not too much to say, is, perhaps, the most criminal, the most dangerous and cunning brain of our modern life. But I am anticipating. You will change and restore yourself to your comforts as I say, and then I have arranged that you and Muriel shall dine alone together, for you will have much to say to each other."

"At midnight, when all is still, and we are far out at sea, for we are now steaming slowly in the direction of Cape Finistere, you and I will go on deck, and there, under the moon, away from all prying ears, I will tell you such a story as will make your blood run cold, and your heart leap with eagerness for the work you have to do."

At a little after nine, bathed, the prison scrub removed from lips and chin, in an ordinary suit of evening clothes, and a dinner jacket—how good it was to wear the clothes of a free man and a gentleman again!—Arthur sat at a little table in the saloon with Muriel. She was a tall girl with a heavy mass of dark red hair, coiled in shining coronet round her small oval face. The head was beautifully poised upon a slender neck, round which hung a single row of pearls—a gift of Arthur's in the old happy days—the deep blue eyes under the finely pencilled brows of black were twin wells of Love and Sympathy, the perfect bow-shaped lips were parted, and trembled a little, as, in broken tones, the lean, worn, young man told her of the past horrors of his life.

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BY GUY THORNE
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The arduous duties of a nurse's profession fall especially heavy on those who possess little reserve strength. Nurse Adams, of 25 Dale Street, Accrington, England, for instance, has vivid recollections of her own trials. Relating the facts recently to a reporter, Nurse Adams stated: "I fell a victim to Nervous Prostration soon after entering one of the London hospitals as a nurse. I had worked hard and passed

my examinations, but found it difficult to keep going owing to extreme nervous weakness.

"I took much medicine, but eventually I was bad-riden with my nervous system collapsed. Distressing stomach and kidney trouble arose. I had no appetite, and was afraid

to drink anything. My eyes were puffy, my heart palpitated, and I could scarcely bear the pain which tortured my loins.

"Many treatments were tried, but I seemed only to get worse. Fainting attacks exhausted me so that on several occasions it was thought that I would die. I had no good blood; my kidneys were poisoning me; my stomach would not tolerate plain food, so all nourishment was in a predigested form.

"I was taken home later on and on my mother's advice I began a course of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. At first the Pills were crushed in milk—for I was too weak to swallow solids. But after a time my appetite asserted itself, and gradually I became able to take substantial meals. So my strength increased and my blood was renewed.

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ARRIVALS.

GANDIA, British str., 4,195, R. E. Shone, 19th July—Antwerp 30th July, General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
DEVANHA, British str., 4,755, W. R. F. Hickey, 19th July—Shanghai 16th July, General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
GILWAL, British str., 3,499, W. J. Bishop, 16th July—Calcutta 3rd July, General—David Sassoon & Co.
HATCHING, British str., 1,267, W. C. Passmore, 19th July—Swatow 18th July, General—Douglas Lapraik & Co.
HEIMDAL, Norwegian str., 782, J. A. Johnse, 16th July—Suevarabai 9th July, Sugar and Rice—Order.
KWANGTUNG, Chinese str., 16th July—Canton.
LUGOK, German str., 1,015, Schultzen, 16th July—Bangkok 11th July, Rice—Butterfield & Swire.
LUDWIG, Austrian str., 3,135, P. Andrew, 16th July—Shanghai 16th July, General—Sander, Wieder & Co.
NILE, British str., 3,156, Geo. S. Lapraik, 10th July—San Francisco 22nd June, Mail and General—Pacific Mail S. Co.
SINGAN, British str., 1,047, F. Janissen, 19th July—Haiphong and Hoitow 1st July, General—Butterfield & Swire.
TAMING, British str., Pennefather, 18th July—Manila 16th July, General—Butterfield & Swire.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE
July 19th.
DEVANHA, British str., for Bombay.
INDONESIA, British str., for Singapore.
KOEERBER, Austrian str., for Trieste.
PHENOMEN, German str., for Saigon.
RAJAH, German str., for Kobe.
TENPAKAN MARU, Jap. str., for Mikko.
YATMING, British str., for Calcutta.

DEPARTURES.

July 19th.
BRASILIA, German str., for Hamburg.
C. DIEDERICHSSEN, Ger. str., for Hoitow.
FUMI MARU, Jap. str., for Tsurahama.
HAIMUN, British str., for Swatow.
KAWACHI MARU, Japanese str., for Kobe.
PARHOL, British str., for Shanghai.
TAIWAN, British str., for Australia.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. *Taming* reports: Light airs and calm smooth, fine and clear throughout.

The British str. *Hatching* reports: Had moderate westerly wind and fine clear weather.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.
The U.S. mail has been transferred at Yokohama to the C.P.R. str. *Monteagle* due to arrive at this port on the 27th July.

The P.M. str. *Mongolia* from San Francisco left Yokohama on the 17th July, en route to Hongkong via Kobe, Nagasaki and Manila, and is due to arrive at Hongkong on the 29th July.

The T.K.K. str. *Tenpaikan Maru* left San Francisco for Hongkong on 12th July.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.
The L.G.M. str. *Coblenz* left Manila on the 10th July, at 4 a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 21st July, at 10 a.m.

The E. & A. str. *Eastern* from Sydney, etc., left Port Darwin on the 16th July, for Manila and this port.

The E. & A. str. *Alderman* left Sydney on the 5th July, for this port via Queensland Ports and Manila.

THE GERMAN MAIL.
The I.G.M. str. *Lutze*, carrying the German mails with dates from Berlin of the 26th June, left Colombo on the 13th July, p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 24th July.

THE INDIAN MAIL.
The Apac str. *Aracton Apac* left Calcutta on the 14th July, and may be expected here on or about the 26th July.

MECHANT STEAMERS.
The H.A.L. str. *Sambia* left Shanghai on the 17th July, a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 26th July.

The N.Y.K. str. *Sado Maru* (American line) left Kobe for this port via Moji and Shanghai on the 12th July, and is expected here on the 21st July.

The Mogul Line str. *Brahmar*, from United Kingdom, left Singapore on the 16th July, and is therefore due here on or about the 22nd July, a.m.

The H.A.L. str. *Goldfennel* left Singapore on the 18th July, a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 23rd July, p.m.

The T.K.K. str. *Kiyo Maru* left Honshu on the 23rd June for Hongkong, and is expected to arrive at this port on the 28th July.

The Swedish East Asiatic Co.'s str. *Yeddo* left Port Said on the 20th June, and is expected to arrive here on or about the 29th July.

The str. *Kioto* passed the Suez Canal on the 2nd July for Hongkong.

The "Mogul Line" str. *Fathar* left United Kingdom on the 7th July, for Hongkong via the Straits.

The N.Y.K. str. *Kirin Maru* (Calcutta Line) left Calcutta for this port via Rangoon on the 4th July, and is expected here on the 4th August.

The T.K.K. str. *Nippon Maru* is expected at Yokohama en route for Hongkong on 23rd July.

The str. *Glenloch* passed the Suez Canal on the 10th July, for Hongkong in Straits.

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Carmarthenshire, from London, is due in Hongkong 21st July.

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1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION.	VEHICLE'S NAMES.	FLAG & SIG.	BERTH.	CAPTAIN.	FOR FREIGHT APPLIED TO	TO BE DESPATCHED.
LONDON, VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL	DEVANHA	Brit. str.	—	W. R. Hickey	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	POONA	Brit. str.	—	A. F. Vine, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 24th inst.
PEMBROKESHIRE	—	Brit. str.	k. w.	Huch	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	About 6th August.
SAMBA	—	Ger. str.	k. w.	Jager	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 13th August.
FURST BULOW	—	Ger. str.	k. w.	Diedrichsen	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 23rd August.
GOLDENFELS	—	Ger. str.	k. w.	F. L. Sommer	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 31st inst. at 12 M.
KANO MARU	—	Jap. str.	k. w.	Ernst	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 7th August.
SELESIA	—	Ger. str.	—	K. Asakawa	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 23rd inst. at 1 P.M.
PANAMA MARU	—	Jap. str.	—	H. Rehm	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 30th inst. at 4 P.M.
SAO MARU	—	Jap. str.	—	W. E. Kolway	—	On 24th inst. at Noon.
SEATTLE MARU	—	Jap. str.	—	R. Linklater	THE BANK LINE, LIMITED	About 23rd August.
YORK	—	Ger. str.	—	W. Davison	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 9th August.
ATHOLL	—	Brit. str.	2 m.	W. W. Greene	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 24th Aug., at 6 P.M.
MONTAGUE	—	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	TOYO KAJIEN KAISHA	On 23rd Inst., at Noon.
EXPRESS OF INDIA	—	Brit. str.	—	—	PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.	On 30th Inst., at 1 P.M.
CHIYO MARU	—	Jap. str.	—	—	PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.	On 6th Aug., at 1 P.M.
NILO	—	Am. str.	—	—	—	On 23rd Inst., at Noon.
MONGOLIA	—	Am. str.	—	—	—	On 2nd August, at Noon.
ST. ALBANS	—	Brit. str.	—	T. Sekine	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 10th Aug., at 9 A.M.
YAWATA MARU	—	Jap. str.	—	L. Klugkist	MELCHERS & CO.	On 6th Aug., at Noon.
COBLENZ	—	Ger. str.	—	W. W. Tucker	—	On 31st inst. at Noon.
KIYO MARU	—	Jap. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	ABOUT 30th INST.
ITOLA	—	Brit. str.	—	—	—	ABOUT 23RD INST.
VORWERTHS	—	Am. str.	—	—	—	ABOUT 23RD INST.
COBLENZ	—	Ger. str.	—	L. Klugkist	—	ABOUT 23RD INST.
KAGA MARU	—	Jap. str.	—	G. Tabusa	—	ABOUT 23RD INST.
AKHATOON APCAR	—	Brit. str.	—	F. M. Austin	DAVID SASSON & CO., LTD.	ON 31ST INST. AT 5 P.M.
NIKKO MARU	—	Jap. str.	—	M. Yagi	—	ON 5TH AUGUST.
TIENTSIN	—	—	—	J. B. V. Damme	JELLINE	ON 31ST INST. AT NOON.
WEIHAIWEI CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	—	—	1 m.	E. Mooney	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	ON 26TH INST., AT NOON.
TSINGTAU, CHEFOO & NEWCHWANG	—	—	1 m.	W. J. Bishop	DAVID SASSON & CO., LTD.	ON 27TH INST., AT 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	—	—	1 m.	J. Borfeldt	—	ON 27TH INST., AT MIDNIGHT.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	—	—	1 m.	L. Jones	—	ABOUT 20TH INST.
SHANGHAI	—	—	1 m.	F. J. Fox	—	ON 23RD INST., AT NOON.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	—	—	1 m.	M. Deguchi	—	ON 26TH INST., AT NOON.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	—	—	1 m.	T. Noguchi	—	ON 27TH INST., AT 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	—	—	1 m.	T. A. Mitchell	—	ON 27TH INST., AT 2 P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJI	—	—	1 m.	S. Barham	—	ON 30TH INST., AT 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	—	—	1 m.	P. O. S. N. Co.	—	ON 1ST AUG., AT NOON.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	—	—	1 m.	ARTHUR NILSSON & CO.	—	ABOUT 1ST AUGUST.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	—	—	1 m.	Spencer Wilde	—	ABOUT 20TH AUGUST.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	—	—	1 m.	J. S. Bosch	—	ON 24TH INST., AT 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	—	—	1 m.	Cowin	—	TO-MORROW, AT NOON.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	—	—	1 m.	Leask	—	ON 23RD INST., AT 11 A.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	—	—	1 m.	S. A. Crosby	—	ON 26TH INST., AT 11 A.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	—	—	1 m.	P. H. Bolte	—	ON 26TH INST., AT 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	—	—	1 m.	M. C. Smith	—	ON 27TH INST., AT 2 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	—	—	1 m.	F. E. Hayon	—	ON 30TH INST., AT 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	—	—	1 m.	R. A. Anderson	—	ON 1ST AUG., AT NOON.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	—	—	1 m.	J. E. Drake	—	ON 25TH INST.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	—	—	1 m.	A. J. Evans	—	ON 27TH INST., AT NOON.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	—	—	1 m.	Bradley	—	ON 27TH INST., AT NOON.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	—	—	1 m.	Tozawa	—	MIDDLE OF AUGUST.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	—	—	1 m.	F. Sembl	—	ON 22ND INST., AT 8 A.M.
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SWATOW, AMOY, NINGPO & SHANGHAI	"FOOCHOW"	On 26th July, 4 P.M.
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Hongkong, 20th July, 1912.

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CHIYO MARU ... W. W. Greene ... TUESDAY, 23rd July, NOON.

NIPPON MARU ... A. G. Stevens ... TUESDAY, 13th Aug., at Noon.

TENYO MARU ... E. Bent ... TUESDAY, 20th Aug., at Noon.

SHINYO MARU ... H. S. Smith ... TUESDAY, 10th Sept., at Noon.

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VICTORIA, B.C., & TACOMA via KEELUNG, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, AND YOKOHAMA ...	"SEATTLE MARU"	6,182	THURSDAY, 8th Aug., at 11 P.M.
	"CHICAGO MARU"	6,182	TUESDAY, 3rd Sept., at 11 P.M.
	"TACOMA MARU"	6,178	THURSDAY, 3rd Oct., at 11 P.M.
VICTORIA, B.C., & TACOMA via KEELUNG, SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, AND YOKOHAMA ...	"PANAMA MARU"	6,059	TUESDAY, 23rd July, at 1 P.M.
	"MEXICO MARU"	6,064	SATURDAY, 17th Aug., at 1 P.M.
	"CANADA MARU"	6,054	TUESDAY, 17th Sept., at 1 P.M.

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Hongkong, 19th July, 1912.

COMMERCIAL.
CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	July 19th.
ON LONDON:	
Telegraphic Transfer	1/11/2
Bank Bills, on demand	1/11/2
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	1/11/2
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1/11/2
Credits, at 4 months' sight	1/11/2
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	1/11/2
ON PARIS:	
Bank Bills, on demand	250
Credits, at 4 months' sight	250
ON GERMANY:	
On demand	203
ON NEW YORK:	
Bank Bills, on demand	48
Credits, at 60 days' sight	48
ON BOMBAY:	
Telegraphic Transfer	148
Bank, on demand	148
ON CALCUTTA:	
Telegraphic Transfer	148
Bank, on demand	148
ON SHANGHAI:	
Bank, at sight	73
Private, 30 days' sight	74
ON YOKOHAMA:	
On demand	97
ON MANILA:	
On demand—Pesos	97
ON SINGAPORE:	
On demand	89
ON BATAVIA:	
On demand	119
ON HAMPSHIRE:	
On demand	1/11/2
ON SAIGON:	
On demand	64
ON BANGKOK:	
On demand	76
SOVEREIGN, Bank's Buying Rate	\$10.00
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael	\$52.20
BAB SILVER, per oz	\$78

	SUBSIDIARY COINS.	per cent.
Chinese	20 cents pieces	\$8.00 discount.
Chinese	10 "	\$8.48 "
Hongkong	20 "	\$7.10 "
Hongkong	10 "	\$8.20 "

	MAILS VIA SIBERIA.	Due
London Date		Shanghai
July 3rd.		July 20th.
July 6th.		July 22nd.

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, 19TH JULY, 1912.

	STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUM.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTA- TIONS CASE.
BANKS—					\$825, buyers
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation		120,000	\$125	all	\$1,000 & £3,10/-
China Banking Company, Limited		60,000	\$12	all	£84, buyers
China Light and Power Company, Limited		50,000	\$5	all	£22, sales
China Provident, Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.		200,000	\$10	all	£8
COTTON MILLS—					
Two Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.		20,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 96
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.		125,000	\$10	all	£5, sellers
Dairy Farm Company, Limited		40,000	\$71	all	£2
DOCKS AND WHARVES—					
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Co., Ltd.		60,000	\$50	all	£62
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.		50,000	\$50	all	£48, sellers
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited		10,000	\$50	all	£61
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.		55,700	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 50
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd.		36,000	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 93
Green Island Cement Co., Limited		40,000	\$10	all	£4,10, buyers
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited		60,000	\$10	all	£22
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited		12,000	\$50	all	£15, buyers
Manila Metropole Hotel Limited		8,000	Tls. 50	all	£74, buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited		15,000	Tls. 10	all	P82
Hongkong Hope Manufacturing Co., Limited		50,000	\$25	all	£210, sellers
Hongkong South China Steam Fisheries Co., Ltd.		60,000	\$10	all	£19, buyers
INSURANCE—					
China Insurance Office Co., Limited		10,000	\$250	all	£237, sales
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited		20,000	\$100	all	£132, buyers
China Travel Insurance Co., Limited		24,000	\$85.33	all	£100
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited		8,000	\$250	all	£55
North-China Insurance Co., Limited		10,000	\$12	all	Tls. 135, sellers
Union Insurance Society, Limited		12,400	\$250	all	£80, sellers
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited		12,000	\$100	all	£195, Ex 73
LANDS AND BUILDINGS—					
Hongkong Land Invest. Agency Co., Ltd.		50,000	\$100	all	£106, sellers
Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.		150,000	\$10	all	£73.8, buyers
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.		6,000	\$50	all	£34, buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited		78,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 86
West Point Building Co., Limited		12,500	\$50	all	£56, buyers
Matachappi tot Mijin, Boesh-an		25,000	Gds. 10	all	Tls. 63
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MINING—					
Chinese Engineering and M. Co., Ltd.		1,000,000	\$1	all	35%, x. div.
Tromlo Mines, Limited		160,000	\$1	all	720
Heawood Tin and Rubber Estate, Ltd.		715,220	2/	all	4, buyers
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.		200,000	\$1	all	84
Peak Tramways Co., Limited		25,000	\$10	all	£11, sellers
Philippine Co., Limited		50,000	\$10	all	£5, buyers
REFINING—					
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited		20,000	\$100	all	£112, buyers
Lason Sugar Refining Co., Limited		7,000	\$100	all	£30, buyers
STEAMSHIP COMPANIES—					
China and Manile Steamship Co., Ltd.		30,000	\$25	all	£9
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited		20,000	\$50	all	£27, buyers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao S.S. Co., Ltd.		80,000	\$10	all	£10, London
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.		60,000	\$10	all	105
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited		2,500,000	\$1	all	105
Star Ferry Company, Limited		10,000	\$10	all	£138, buyers
South China Morning Post, Limited		6,000	\$25	all	£30, buyers
Steam Laundry Company, Limited		20,000	\$5	all	£22
STORES AND DISPENSARIES—					
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited		1,200	\$10	all	£25
Wm. Powell, Limited		15,000	\$7	all	£7
Watkins, Limited		10,000	\$10	all	14 buyers
A. N. Watson, Limited		90,000	\$10	all	25, sellers
Wellman, Limited		3,000	\$10	all	£15, buyers
Gads Price & Co., Ltd.		50,000	\$10	all	12
Societe des Pâtes de Tonkin		12,200	\$50	all	£33
Hongkong Steel Foundry Co., Ltd.		15,000	\$10	all	£10
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited		9,000	\$10	all	£5, buyers
Union Waterboat Co., Limited		100,000	\$10	all	£300
FIRE INSURANCE—					
Parc Rubber in London				4/10 per lb., sellers	
LOANS				Interest	
Chinese Imperial 1936		Tls. 767,200	Tls. 250	7% p. annum Tax.	
				VERNON & SYMTH, Share Brokers	
TO-NIGHT					
9 P.M.—Bandana Opera Co. at the Theatre Royal—“Bell of New York.”					
FORTHCOMING EVENTS.					
Tuesday, 23rd July.—5.30 P.M.—Lecture on Christian Science at the Theatre Royal.					
Wednesday, 24th July.—12.30 P.M.—The Star Ferry Co., Ltd., Extraordinary General Meeting.					
Tuesday, 6th August.—Noon—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., Ninety-Second Ordinary Half-Yearly Meeting.					
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